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notice of the Government, Government will certainly take action against the Congress or non-Congress people, who happen to be the owners."

SRI PILLALAMARRI VENKATESWARLU :—" I hope the Hon. Minister is aware of the fact that on this route, not taking into account the particular sector, only two buses are plying and the people who want to travel cannot choose any other route because the number of buses is only two and so the needs of the people are not satisfied; that is a simple fact for which no report or enquiry is necessary. The simple reason is that a particular influential man happens to be the owner and the allegation is that permission for more buses is refused for that reason. So, might I ask if the Government will consider the question of increasing the number of buses without taking the particular sector into consideration? "

THE HON. SRI C. RAJAGOPALACHARI :—" Before the question is answered, might I hope that hon. Members opposite coming from the Andhra areas will not quote the long argumentations with which they preface a question, as a precedent, in the new Assembly? "

SRI PILLALAMARRI VENKATESWARLU :—" The Hon. the Chief Minister is always trying to give us advice and we will take it for what it is worth? "

THE HON. DR. U. KRISHNA RAO :—" I have already stated the facts as lie in my hands and I am afraid that if I am to listen to the hon. Member charges will be made that I am partial to one party or another."

SRI R. SIDDANNA GOWD :—" Will the Government consider the question of issuing a permit for one more bus on this route at least to avoid the accusation that the Government are countenancing or supporting the actions of their own partymen? "

THE HON. DR. U. KRISHNA RAO :—" Under the Motor Vehicles Act the suggestion of my hon. Friend has not been mentioned as one of the reasons for which further permits could be issued; simply because the permit-owner is a particular person belonging to the Congress party, just to refute what others might say about it, we are not justified in giving a permit to anybody else."

Visit of Hon. Ministers to Malampuzha Project.

* 718 *Q.*—SRI M. NARAYANA KURUP : Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state—

(*a*) how many Ministers visited Malampuzha Project since its inception up to the end of 1952;

(*b*) how many times the same Minister visited the project; and

(*c*) how many Ministers jointly visited the project and on how many occasions?

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THE HON. SRI N. RANGA REDDI :—" (a) Eight Ministers.

" (b) One Minister who hails from the Malabar district visited it five times, the previous Public Works Minister three times and a third Minister twice. The rest visited only once.

" (c) Three Ministers made joint visits. Two of them visited twice jointly. The third Minister visited the project jointly with one of the other two once."

SRI M. NARAYANA KURUP :—" May I know, Sir, the total amount of travelling allowance that has been paid to the Ministers concerned? "

THE HON. SRI N. RANGA REDDI :—" Notice, Sir."

SRI C. V. K. RAO :—" May I know if as a result of all the troubles taken by the Hon. Ministers to visit this place the project has been completed even now? "

THE HON. SRI N. RANGA REDDI :—" The project is expected to be completed at the end of 1954; Ministers' visits do not complete projects."

AN HON. MEMBER :—" What was the purpose served by these visits? "

THE HON. SRI N. RANGA REDDI :—" Ministers should get themselves acquainted with the projects that are being executed."

SRI M. NARAYANA KURUP :—" The Hon. Minister wanted notice in regard to my question asking for information concerning the amount of travelling allowance paid to Hon. Ministers but I may inform him that I put a question for eliciting information in this regard but it has been returned to me saying that it is not a matter of public concern, which perhaps means that moneys from public treasuries can be spent and squandered like this. If he guarantees that my question will be admitted, I will address another question again."

SRI K. P. GOPALAN :—" May I know if Ministers are visiting the projects in order to delay the completion of the projects? "

Applications for subsistence loans in Penukonda taluk.

* 719 Q.—SRI T. LAKSHMINARAYANA REDDI: Will the Hon. the Minister for Land Revenue be pleased to state what was the number of subsistence loan applications in Penukonda taluk when the Government stopped paying subsistence loans?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" The number of applications for subsistence loans which were pending in Penukonda taluk when the disbursement was stopped was 2,800."

SRI T. LAKSHMINARAYANA REDDI :—" In view of the fact that the ryots have been driven to bad straits now will the